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In re Application of:

Kazuhiko MARUTA et al.

Serial No.: 09/419,305

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For: RECOMBINANT THERMOSTABLE

ENZYME WHICH...

Art Unit: 1832

Examiner: P. PROUTY

Washington, D.C.

February 26, 2001

## **AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 25, 2000, petition and payment for a one month extension of time attached hereto (February 25, 2001, fell or a Sunday), please amend as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 1 with new claim 1 as follows below. A marked up version of claim 1 is attached hereto.

1. A parified recombinant thermostable enzyme having the following physicochemical properties:

(1) Action

Forming non-reducing saccharides having a trehalose structure as an end unit and having a degree of glucose polymerization of at least 3 from maltotetraose or reducing amylaceous

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